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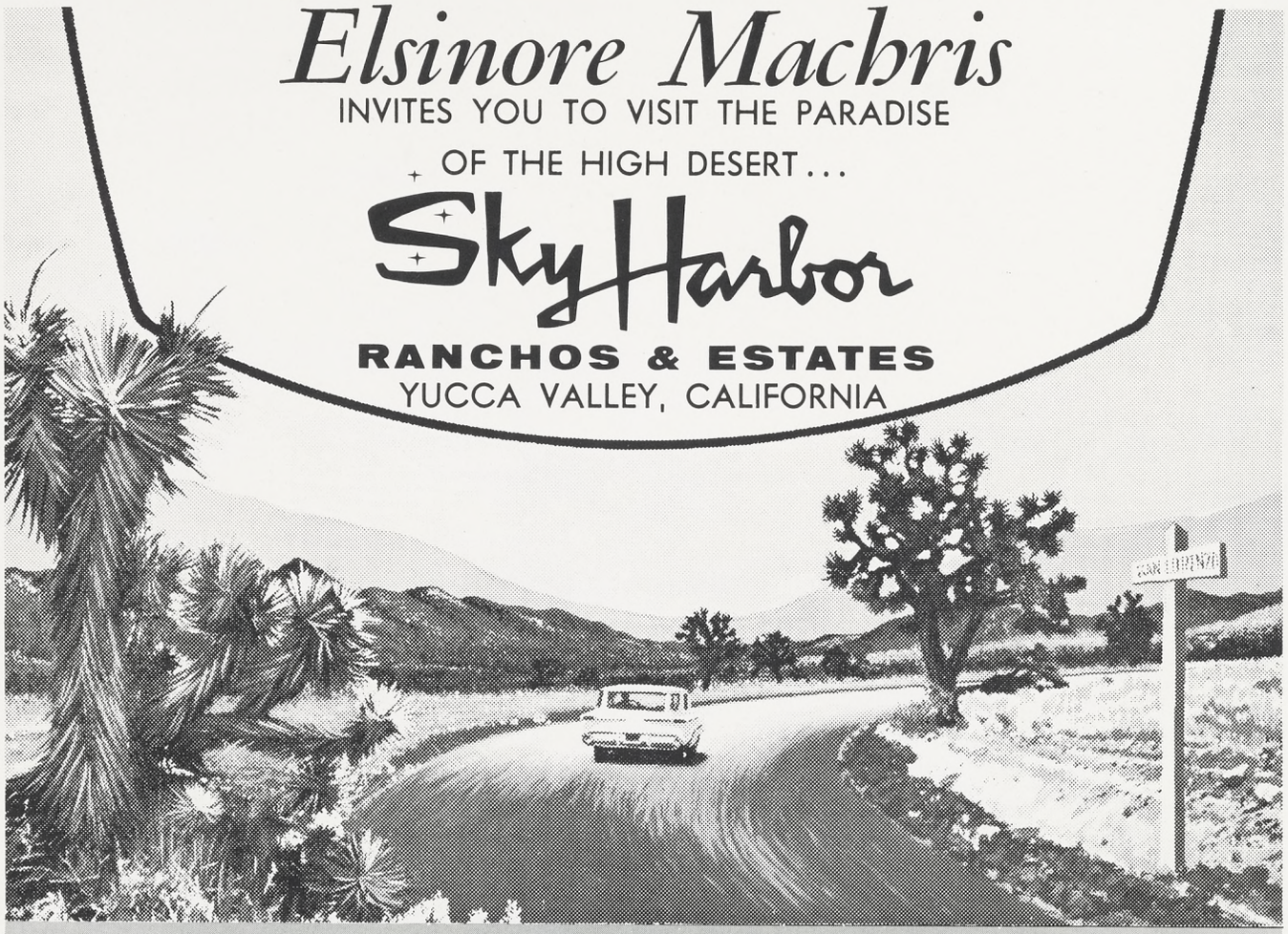

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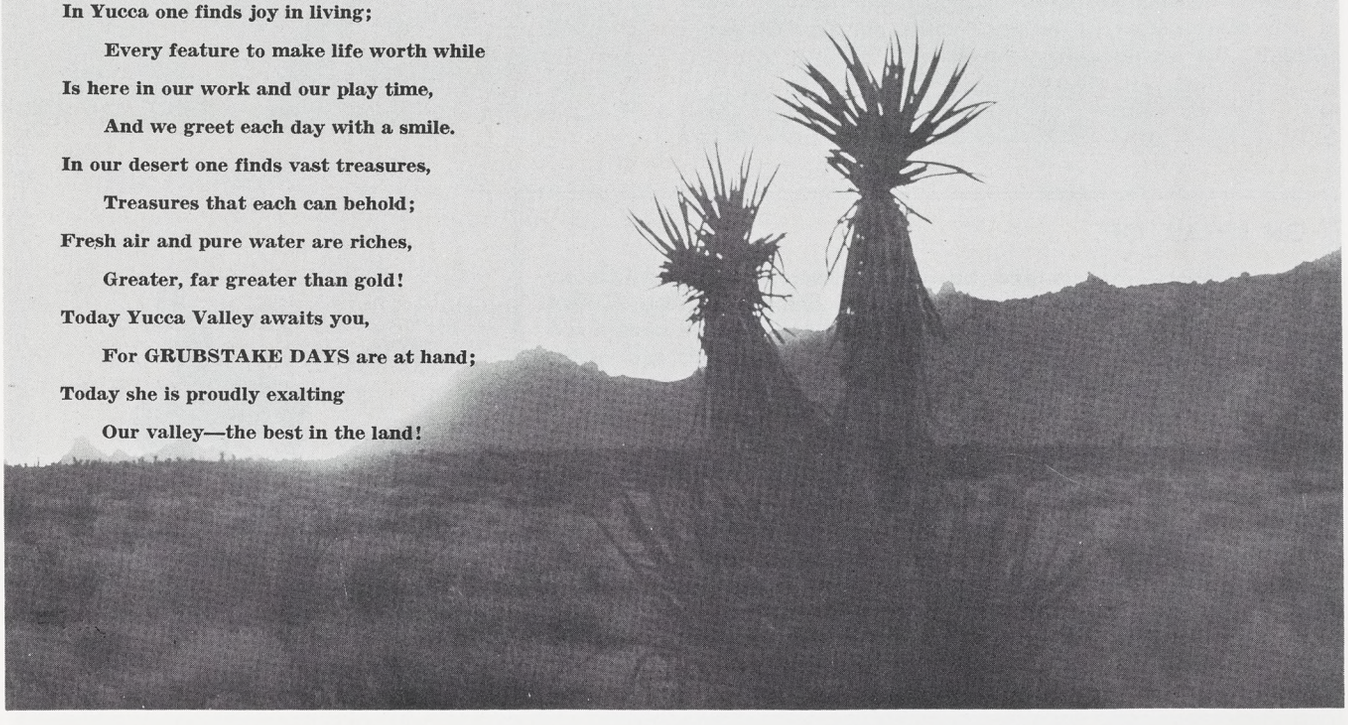
Welcome!

By JUNE LEMERT PAXTON

In our desert the wild flowers are blooming
Turning sands into carpets fair;
Mornings are warm with sunshine;
At noontide winds stir the air.
In our desert the Yuccas stand guarding
With daggers drawn ready to fight
To protect the calmness of evening
And the long, restful peace of the night.
At night time our sky is a wonder,
With moon and stars hanging low;
At night there is peace and a quiet
That only the gods can bestow.
In Yucca one finds joy in living;
Every feature to make life worth while
Is here in our work and our play time,
And we greet each day with a smile.
In our desert one finds vast treasures,
Treasures that each can behold;
Fresh air and pure water are riches,
Greater, far greater than gold!
Today Yucca Valley awaits you,
For GRUBSTAKE DAYS are at hand;
Today she is proudly exalting
Our valley—the best in the land!



ON THE COVER: *A. E. "Art" Miller of Yucca Valley Western Hills Estates will "ride tall in a silver saddle" as parade marshal of the 13th Annual Grubstake Days Parade. Art is no stranger to parades and will be riding his world's champion palomino, American-bred stallion, "Peavine's Golden Major." Art has accumulated over 300 first place trophies and ribbons for parade horse competition and has ridden for many years as parade marshal in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade.*

YUCCA VALLEY is 6.5 miles long and 3.2 miles wide, nestled among the surrounding mountains at a 3350 foot elevation. This thriving community of 5,000 is expected to reach 70,000 by 1970. It is definitely a growth area, and is just 20 minutes north of Highway 60-70-99. Take the Yucca Valley-29 Palms turnoff between White Water and Garnet, to your own personal "Cloud Nine".

"GRUBSTAKE"

By HONEY FELLERS

WHAT A PICTURE THAT WORD CONJURES!

To the intrepid 49ers, a "GRUBSTAKE" could mean the difference in being catapulted into sudden wealth, if provisions lasted until they could "strike it rich," or lack of it could bring heartbreaking failure, untold hardship—even starvation. In blistering sun or torturing cold, miners toiled with pick and shovel, traveling weary, footsore miles seeking the goddess gold, many times subsisting on a scant supply of sour dough flap-jacks, sow belly and beans.

In 1848, the beginning of "gold rush" days, grubstakes were hard to come by. Men sold ranches, stock, businesses to get the coveted grubstake. Often they pooled supplies and worked together to locate claims. Often as not one got himself murdered, if the claim seemed rich and if the partner proved avaricious!

By '49 grubstaking became easier. Men from cities with more money than courage "staked" miners for a percentage of the claim. Sometimes the miners "struck it rich," sometimes they died. Often they struggled back to town broke but unbeaten and began the onerous task of once more obtaining the wherewithal for the "GRUBSTAKE" that would make them rich.

ON BEHALF OF...

the members, officers and board of directors of the Hi-Desert Memorial Hospital, Inc., I wish to thank Elsinore Machris, Collins Rowe Buchner and all of the many, wonderful, dedicated people and organizations who have contributed of their time, talents and money in making the hospital possible. It is our fervent hope and prayer that the district board will complete the building and have the hospital operating as quickly as possible.

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She is honored and esteemed for her charities,

BUT SHE IS LOVED FOR HER HUMANISM.

Here is a favorite quotation by which Elsinore Machris has lived:

I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I SHALL NOT PASS THIS WAY AGAIN. (Anonymous)

A Dream Comes True

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HI-DESERT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

By HORACE R. RICH

A DREAM COMES TRUE.....

Yes, a dream comes true for many dedicated desert people. The dream of having our own modern hospital here in the high desert is fast becoming a reality.

With drawings completed, bonds sold and contracts awarded by May 12, Grubstake Days 1963 could well be remembered as a ground breaking celebration for this wonderful asset to the community.

Even in preliminary planning your board of directors were considering possible future expansion and accepted plans that would be easily favorable to additional bed capacity with a minimum of cost. A budget has been carefully analyzed and adopted to indicate self support of the hospital from the early months of operation.

A beautiful, well designed and constructed building of reinforced block and masonry, with lath and plaster interior, terrazzo floors in surgery and lobby, will provide an edifice of which we may be proud. The 24-bed structure, completely air conditioned and with two major surgeries, minor surgery, emergency, labor, delivery, four-bed recovery, nursery, X-ray, laboratory and pharmacy, gives the community facilities second to none.

The Hi-Desert Memorial Hospital District, composed of five sincere board members who are giving unselfishly of their own time, and such organizations as the Hi-Desert Memorial Hospital, Inc., the Hospital Guild, the Chamber of Commerce, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and many dedicated individuals are confident that this dream will be in physical form and in operation before Christmas, 1963.

Yes, indeed, a dream really comes true.

Your Board of Directors

HI-DESERT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

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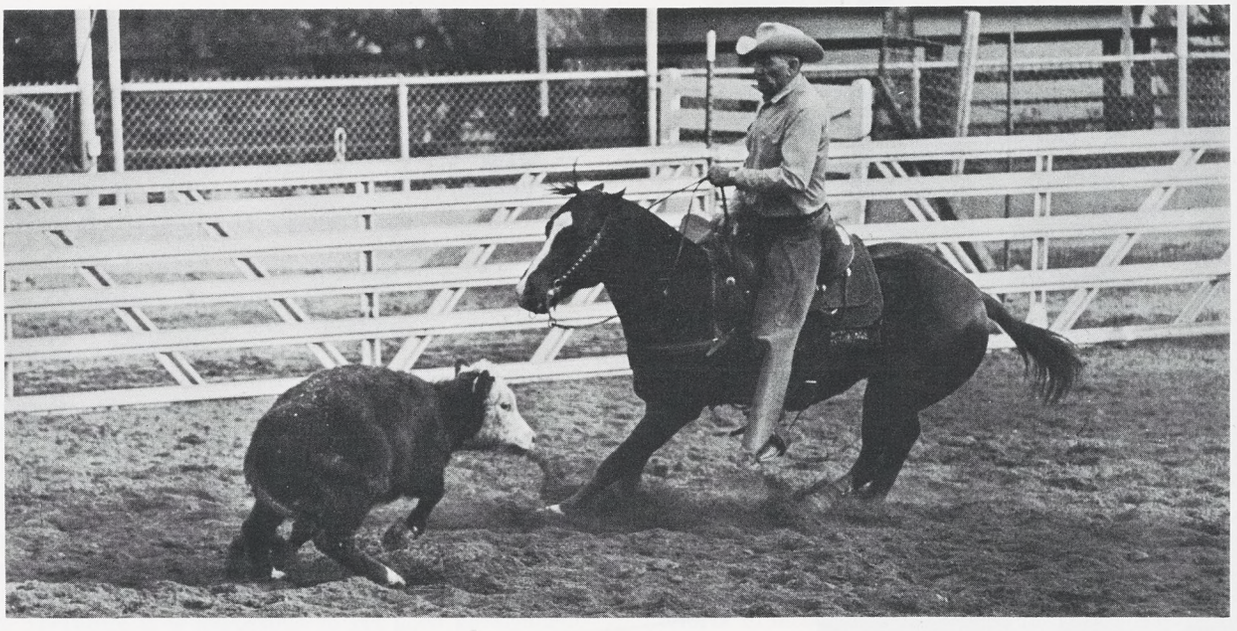

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As Governor of California, it gives me great pleasure to join in this honor to Mrs. Elsinore Machris. I want to express my appreciation for her many contributions to various charitable endeavors in this state. She is indeed one of California's outstanding citizens.

Best wishes for continued success and service.

EDMUND G. BROWN, Governor

A VILLAGE TODAY — A CITY TOMORROW

LET'S INCORPORATE OUR VILLAGE!

By LUTHER H. COLVIN

SELF GOVERNMENT has been the hallmark of PROGRESS SINCE THE BEGINNING OF MAN. It instills in him the desire to create, improve, develop and make a greater sacrifice for the welfare of his own home and community.

YUCCA VALLEY has been endowed by God with all the fine attributes of His creation. It has been recognized by all for its fine climate and is destined to become one of the great health and retirement resorts of our nation. It now becomes our duty to assume the responsibility of the future of this great area.

I have been obliged to work very closely with others who have been successful in getting their areas incorporated and would like to pass on to you a few facts about the advantages of self government.

Point #1—The county supervisors are burdened with the growth of the entire county and will not give any one area any attention except that which is forced upon them. Therefore it is impossible to get good government and our fair share of the taxes paid.

Point #2—The distance to San Bernardino makes it impossible for any of us to get the service which is rightfully ours.

Point #3—Your supervisor is not aware of our problems of zoning, policing, fire, etc., since one must be on the spot to know the real need. He is ready to serve you, but only when a condition becomes impossible will it be taken that far to be acted upon, and it usually takes several local people to make an impression and get results. "We need self government."

Point #4—Self government is not more expensive as some would lead you to believe. This has been true in the past in some places but only where the wrong plan was adopted. YOUR TAXES WILL ACTUALLY DECREASE 27c per $100.00 value.

Point #5—A new city no longer needs to create its own POLICE, FIRE and STREET DEPARTMENTS as in the past but can lease existing departments from the state and counties.

Point #6—A new city needs only a paid CITY CLERK, CITY TREASURER and a CITY MANAGER which limits the city payroll to a minimum as all CITY COUNCILMEN serve without pay. The city manager is responsible directly to the city council, and he must direct all other rented departments and services according to the council's direction.

Point #7—A new city receives a portion of all taxes collected within its boundaries by the state and county, which are refunded once per year in a lump sum. It also receives all trailer fees, building permits, traffic fines, license fees and many miscellaneous items of income.

Point #8—A new city need not levy any additional taxes at all and in any event is limited to a total of $1.00 which covers all districts such as fire, lighting, parks, etc. The present rate on the services now in force is $1.27 per $100.00 valuation which would automatically give us a reduction of 27c.

Point #9—Had we been successful in 1962 in our efforts to incorporate, we would have received in refunds from the state and county from sales tax, gasoline tax and present existing taxes an amount in excess of $163,000.00 which is many times the amount which the state and county will ever spend in our behalf. It is my humble opinion that out of this amount of money we would have had a reserve of several thousands of dollars.

Point #10—It is our God given right to be self governed; it is our sacred duty to accept the responsibility of self government and go forward as brave citizens. To hide behind the county government is cowardly; I believe God hates a coward. Won't every citizen of this great area please contact his Chamber of Commerce and lend a hand.

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MAYOR

GREETINGS:

As the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles and on behalf of its citizens I am honored to extend this official expression of our community's gratitude to Mrs. Elsinore Machris.

Because of her generosity and ready willingness to aid worthwhile causes, facilities now exist which are of immeasurable benefit to many, many thousands of unfortunates.

Surely there can be no higher service than that rendered by an individual to those in need because by helping some, the cause of all Humanity is served and well.

Mrs. Machris has our gratitude and esteem.

Sincerely,

Samuel Wm. Yorty

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Congratulations
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Mayor of Palm Springs

History of the Yucca Valley Board of Realtors

By MARY T. HUGENTUGLER

This board was organized in May, 1949, as the Pioneer Desert Real Estate Board with seven members from Yucca Valley, Joshua Tree and Morongo Valley. Only one of those original seven members, Gwen Bouchey, is active today in Yucca Valley real estate.

Realtors who have served as presidents of the board during these years include: 1949—Pat O'Neil; 1950—Charles Mitchell; 1951 — E. R. Williams; 1952 — Wilson Lindsay; 1953—John Duncan; 1954—Honey Fellers; 1955—Hugh Green, John Duncan; 1956—Wilson Lindsay; 1957—Charles Watkins, Paul Goakes; 1958—Paul Goakes; 1959—Al Peters; 1960—Carl Piazza; 1961—Luther Colvin; 1962—Mary T. Hugentugler; 1963—Hugh Leonard.

Throughout its fourteen years of existence, this board has been active in promoting many improvements for the Hi-Desert, including studies on zoning, planning, roads and publicity. In recent years and particularly since it became the Yucca Valley Board of Realtors in 1960, it has taken a leading part in Yucca Valley's advancement, with emphasis on the establishment of a hospital, improvement of telephone service, securing natural gas in the area, bringing in commercial ventures for better service to the community, water, development of land to its best advantage and incorporation of the town.

The board is a member of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, and its members belong to the California Real Estate Association. It has grown from the original **seven** members to 84 members today and is the second largest local board in the 28th CREA Region, which consists of eight boards in the lower and upper desert.

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YUCCA VALLEY - *The Hi-Desert Queen City*

Did Aladdin really rub the magic lamp, or was it his ring, and—THERE WAS YUCCA VALLEY? Well, much as we would like to perpetuate this fantasy in all its enchantment and charm, there are too many practical minded persons who will tell you, it's just not THAT easy!

Nature in her solicitous concern for furthering the primitive mold resists man's attempts to more livable contours. How to preserve nature's pristine beauty, and yet bring it into conformity with today's standard of gracious living, needs Aladdin's lamp, ring and "open Sesame," along with man's greatest ingenuity. This ingenuity has been applied in various ways and in myriad forms by the many who have been active in bringing about this magic of Yucca Valley, Queen City of the Hi-Desert.

And how did Yucca Valley become a Queen?

Endowed by this same dame nature with the desert's most bountiful attributes, she sits beautifully serene in the midst of a mountain-valley domain. The Little San Bernardino Mountains frame the southern border, and the Great San Bernardino Range with its snow-capped San Gorgonio Peak lies west, which with its cooling summer breezes give the town a climate second to none. An elevation of 3,300 feet provides comfortable summers and delightfully sunny winters. This moderately high altitude, with extremely low humidity, makes it not only a pleasant place to live but also a most healthful one.

The town lies along Twentynine Palms Highway at Yucca Boulevard, just 120 freeway-miles from Los Angeles to the west and eastward only 140 miles to the Colorado River with its fine fishing and boating. Sixty one miles takes one to Salton Sea, another fishing resort, a mere 25 miles to fabulous Palm Springs, "Playground of Stars," and a scenic mountain drive of 30 miles to Big Bear for skiing, thereby making it a crossroads to Southern California resorts.

The beauty of Yucca Valley attracts many artists who are inspired by the colorful desert sunsets, purple mountains at twilight or a weird-limbed Joshua Tree outlined in bright moonlight. Spring brings riotous displays of wildflowers on hillsides.

Recreation in this "beauty spot" of nature has become plentiful, entertaining and varied. Living has come a long way from the desert cabin to its present cultural status and may be natural and relaxed or highly exciting, as one chooses. One may ride "Old Paint" into the hills and canyons, camp, using a handy rock for a pillow, or take accommodations at the most plush guest ranches.

You may twirl weekly with square dancers, tango to a combo or twist to a tuneful trio at the favorite niteries. You may golf on well-kept greens at the country club, join a league at Pioneer Bowl—or head for the hills and pan gold. There are churches of every denomination, clubs of every type, civic organizations by the dozens; in fact, here is living with a capital L, and you alone channel its course.

The chamber of commerce is ever on the alert for new avenues of betterment. A fire district of 32 square miles is constantly expanding its facilities. San Bernardino County sheriff's office polices an area of approximately 1,200 square miles, patrolled by two well trained resident deputies. Water, "pure cool water," is furnished

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Hi, DESERT!

"With a Song in My Heart"

By HONEY FELLERS

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DEVILS GARDEN (L-o-ow)	Over a plain of sand and sage. Wind whistles. Sun blisters. Blue hills in the distance. I hasten! "O, BURY ME NOT —"
MORONGO CANYON (Climbing)	There was "A LONG, LONG TRAIL AWINDING," then huge bugs—caterpillars — gnawed hillsides, making the highway straight and broad.
MORONGO VALLEY (Higher)	Top the hill and look down upon a lovely town of gracious vintage. Pretty homes line the highway and cling to hillsides. A border of trees at southern foothills give evidence of "CLEAR COOL WATERS."
MORONGO GRADE (down-up)	The road, still temperamental, dips, then rises, a courtly gesture, a ROYAL CURTSEY TO HER MAJESTY;
YUCCA VALLEY (High)	The Queen City of the Hi-Desert. Beautifully enthroned—her attendants, the surrounding hills ablaze with spring finery! Flowers in hues of garnet, emerald and turquoise jewel her robes—aflutter in the breezes from Princely San Gorgonio, with his diadem of snow! Look to the purple hills to "SEE THAT WESTERN SUN GO DOWN."
WESTERN SKY RANCH CLUB	THE QUEEN'S CROWN! A fitting crown for Yucca Valley—Queen City. May it ever crown her with glory!
YUCCA MESA (Lower?)	A beauty spot—for the Queen! And dynamic residents — bewitched with the spot. "HOME, HOME ON THE RANGE."
PARADISE VALLEY (Lower)	A Paradise of "wide open spaces." Room for family, horses and a motto: "DON'T FENCE ME IN."
JOSHUA TREE (Down)	Want an 870 square mile playground at your back door? Joshua Tree National Monument, that is! Scenic hills and dales "RIDIN' DOWN THE CANYON."
TWENTYNINE PALMS (Thump!)	An older desert town. SUNNY. Get your desert tan here! For people who like warm winters, and "THE LADY FROM TWENTYNINE PALMS."
LANDERS (Higher)	A Community with lots of vim! A few years old, but sporting post office, grocery store and "High Hopes" out in "THE WHISPERING SANDS."
PIONEERTOWN (Highest!)	The home of Western Movies. "MANE" street lined with buildings, circa—1847. Population, so the county sign states: GENIAL! "DRIFTING ALONG WITH THE TUMBLING TUMBLE WEED!"

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JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL MONUMENT

By HONEY FELLERS

Department of Interior, National Park Service, sets aside certain areas in the United States for the conservation of scenic, scientific and historic heritage. JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL MONUMENT, a unit of this national park system, is dedicated to the purpose of preservation of a typical California desert.

Established as a national monument in August, 1936, this unique desert park covers an area of more than 870 square miles. In topography, nature excelled itself, diversifying from huge boulders and jagged rocky peaks to sand and sage—to oases and palms!

Altitude ranges from 1,000 feet in the eastern end to almost 6,000 in the Little San Bernardino Mountains. A scenic view, Salton View, overlooks Salton Sea, 30 miles away. Year round weather is mild and sunny. Average annual rainfall is about five inches.

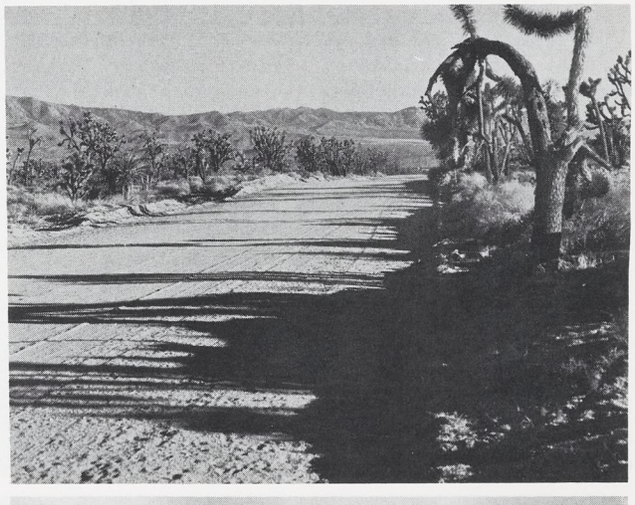
FLORA AND FAUNA

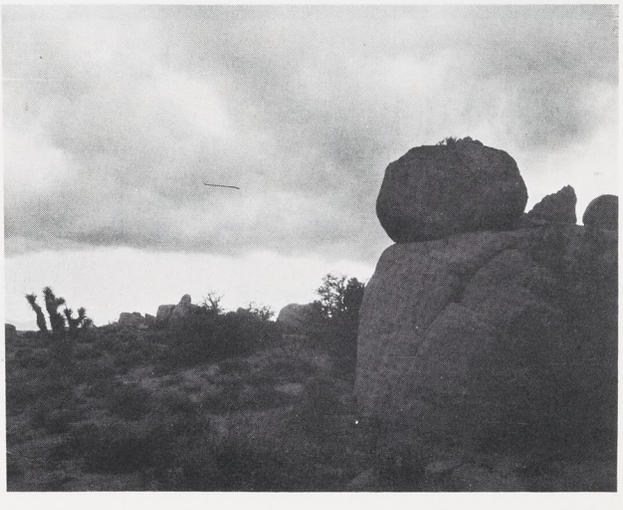
The monument is preserved primarily because of the richness of its vegetation. Colorful cactus, spidery ocotillo, and grotesque Joshua trees, symbols of the desert, flourish among millions of wild flowers in their season, seen at their best in April and May. The park provides a sanctuary for all wildlife native to the desert. Bighorn, muledeer, coyote and desert fox are among the animals given refuge. The oases shelter colorful and varied bird populations; 230 species have been identified.

MISSION 66

Under the able leadership of Superintendent William R. Supernaugh, the park is carrying out an extensive improvement plan, to be finished by 1966. The plan includes a new maintenance building and three resident rangers, a revamped water supply, improved turnouts and picnic grounds, a horsemen's camp and new riding trails. There will be a new access road to Twentynine Palms and altogether about 100 miles of maintained and patroled roads.

A fine MISSION for a beautiful park!





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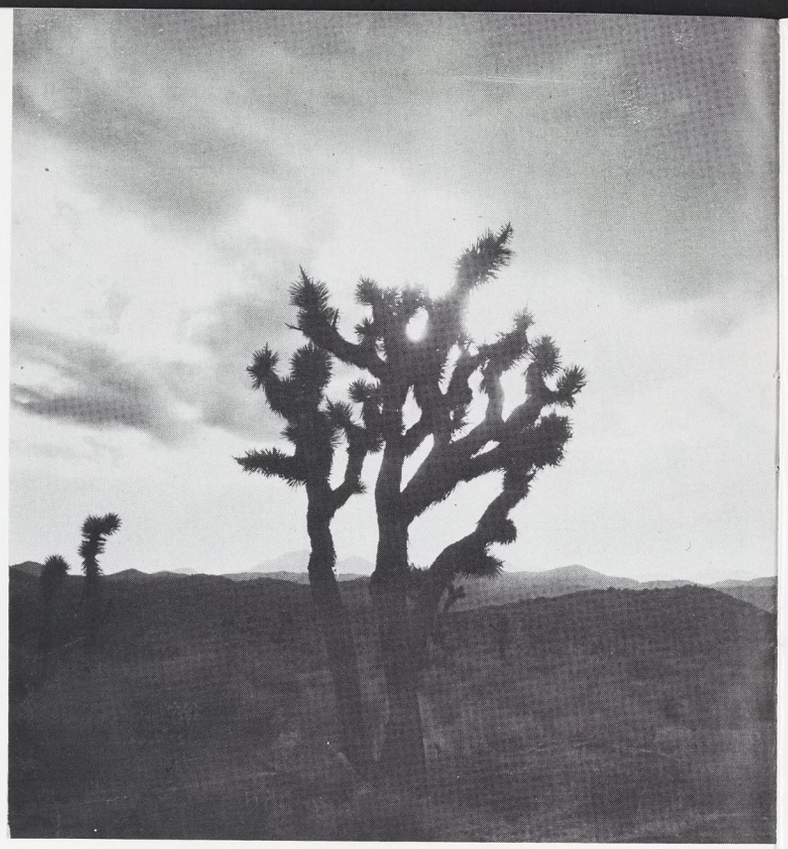

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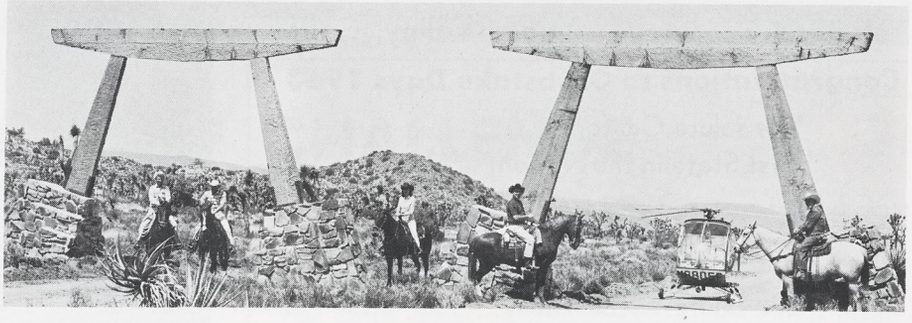

ENTRY GATE greets visitors to Western Sky Ranch Club

By HONEY FELLERS

Royally ensconced at the southern foothills of eastern Yucca Valley, WESTERN SKY RANCH CLUB, an in-process-of-building club of elegant conception and picturesque locale, will crown with glory, Yucca Valley, Queen City of the Hi-Desert.

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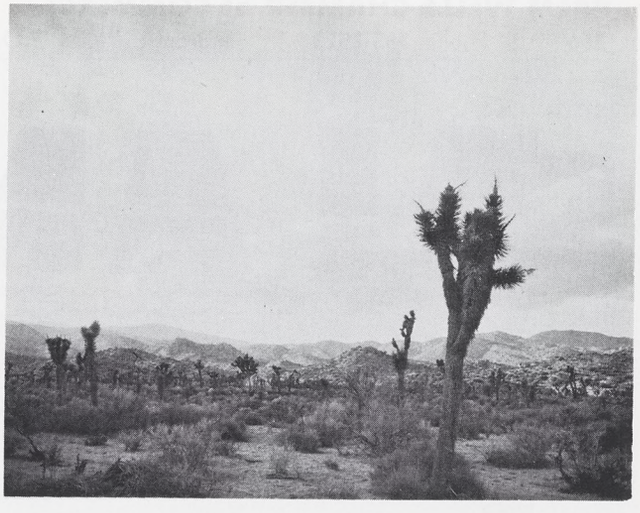

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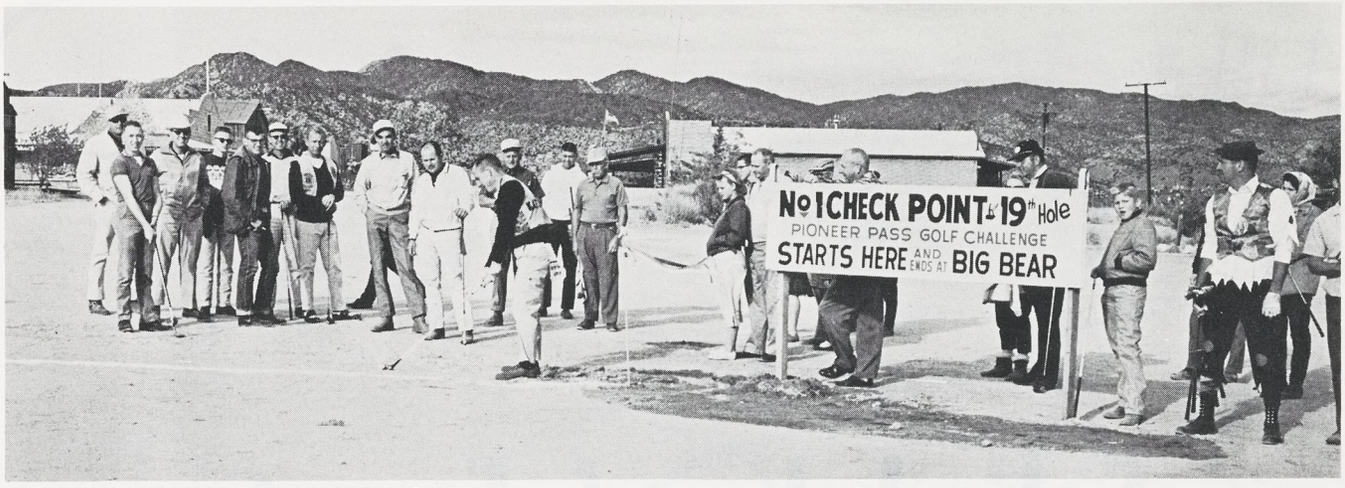

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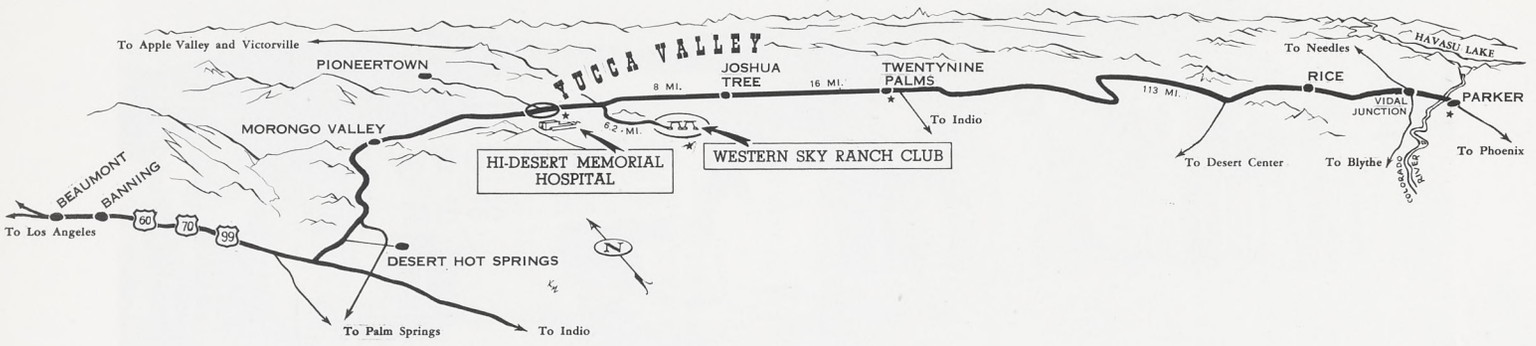
October, 1963, will be the 5th anniversary, and—it is hoped—the biggest and best challenge.

FINISHING POINT — BIG BEAR



Schedule of Events

Friday, May 10th

Midway at Western Sky Ranch Club Grounds opens at 4:00 p.m. to ?????

Rides, Games, Food, Refreshments, etc.

7:30 p.m.—QUEEN'S CORONATION Dinner—Glen Restaurant—New Banquet Room. Enjoy dancing and entertainment at our many fine restaurants in downtown Yucca Valley, Pioneertown, Joshua Tree and Landers

Yucca Valley Flower Show daily at 55596 Yucca Trail

Saturday, May 11th

Parade 10:30 a.m. A. E. (Art) Miller, Parade Marshal

Midway at Western Sky Ranch Club Grounds—Open 12:00 Noon to 10:00 p.m.

12:00 Noon to Sunday Evening—Garden Club Show, 55596 Yucca Trail

1:30 p.m.—Show, Rodeo Arena, Western Sky Ranch Club

- Montie Montana and Family
- Dancing Hooves
- Cutting Horse Exhibition
- Hide Races
- Barrel Races

Saturday Afternoon—Airplane Rides from Yucca Valley Airport over Palm Springs Tramway via new Piper Airplanes.

8:30 p.m. to ????? Square Dancing at Masonic Hall plus entertainment by Montie Montana

Sunday, May 12th

Attend the Church of your choice

A jam packed program at Western Sky Ranch Club Grounds beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, May 12th (Continued)

10:00 a.m. Warm up of Fast Draw Champions

12:00 Noon—Fast Draw Contest begins

The Midway with its Rides, Games, and Food—Refreshments—opens at 12:00 Noon.

1:00 p.m. Hi-Desert Memorial Hospital Guild Ceremonies at the Hospital Site.

1:30 p.m. Kicks off new acts by

- Montie Montana and Family
- Dancing Hooves
- Cutting Horse Show
- Hide Races — Finals
- Barrel Races — Finals
- Southern California Quarter Midget Races

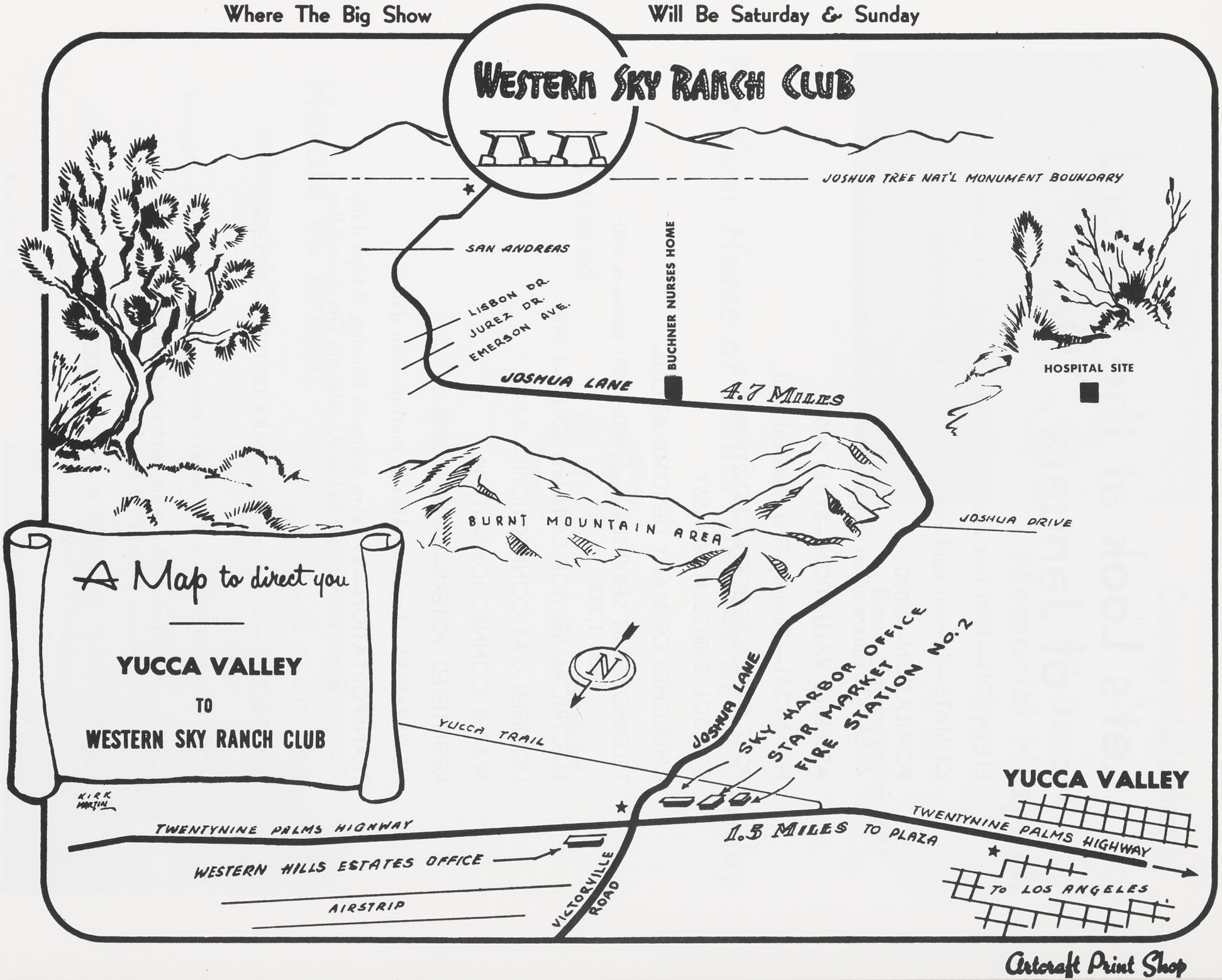
4:00 p.m. Drawing for Solid Gold Head Putter, Copper Room at the Airport.

4:30 p.m. Button Drawing in Arena—Colored TV Set; White Fox Cape; 2 Trips for 2 to Las Vegas; Custom Made Lounge Chair, donated by GUY'S CUSTOM UPHOLSTERY, Yucca Valley; 2 $25.00 Gift Certificates given by "NUDIES," North Hollywood; 1 $25.00 Gift Certificate given by HOMESTEAD SUPPLIES, Yucca Valley.

Spend the balance of the day and evening on the Midway

Adios, Amigos—See you next year!

Where The Big Show Will Be Saturday & Sunday



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Let's Look at the Record of January, 1963

ELEVATION—3300 feet above sea level; rainfall 3.61 inches.

CLIMATE—Summer cool and clear; winter mild and clear.

POPULATION—6,000.

AREA—32 square miles; shopping-trading area 48 square miles.

ASSESSED VALUATION—$7,167,400.

FINANCIAL—Security First National Bank.

POST OFFICE RECEIPTS—$51,238.96.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT—567.

CHURCHES OF MANY DENOMINATIONS.

TELEPHONES IN SERVICE—Residential 925; business 400; total 1,325.

ELECTRICAL SERVICE CONNECTIONS—1,940.

LIQUIFIED GAS CONNECTIONS—2,530.

WATER CONNECTIONS—1,649.

REGISTERED VOTERS—1,535; MOTEL 15.

NEWSPAPERS—Local weeklies 3; metropolitan dailies 5.

TRANSPORTATION—29 Palms Stage to Banning, 2 trips daily; direct connections to Los Angeles via Greyhound Bus.

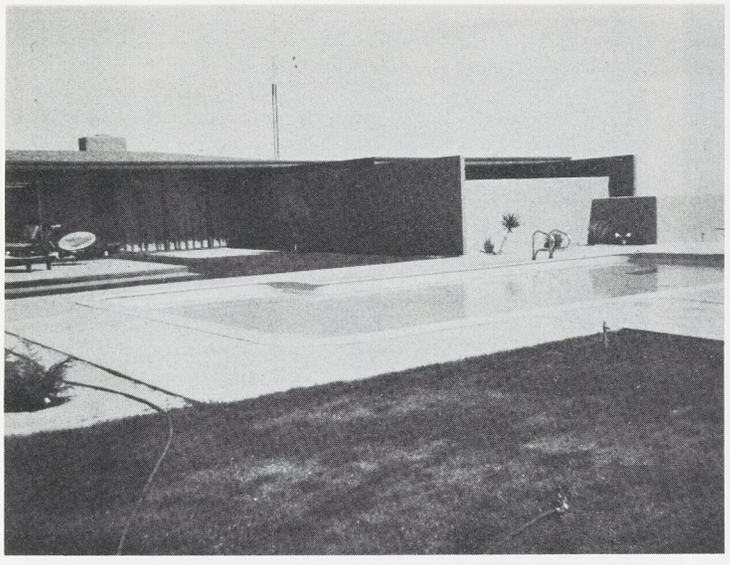
THEATRES—1 drive-in.

FIRE DISTRICT—23 square miles; PARK DISTRICT—32 square miles.

HOSPITAL DISTRICT—307.2 square miles.

POLICE—Area policed by radio-controlled resident sheriff and California State Highway Patrol.

YUCCA VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT—Formed November 27, 1962



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Snow covered area of tramway near the 8516-foot level.

Palm Springs Aerial Tramway

The Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, now under construction, will open a year-round recreation area in a heretofore almost inaccessible region of California's San Jacinto Mountains. The world's largest and longest single-span, passenger-carrying aerial tramway will make available snow sports in the winter and spectacular sightseeing, hiking and cool temperatures in the summer to more than a half-million anticipated visitors a year.

Construction, which is expected to be completed in May, 1963, and operation will be by the Mt. San Jacinto Winter Park Authority, a public agency of the State of California. The project has been financed by the sale of $7,700,000 worth of revenue bonds paying five and one-half per cent interest.

The tramway will transport passengers from a valley base station in Chino Canyon 2643 feet above sea level to the eastern escarpment of Long Valley at an elevation of 8516 feet. A total distance of approximately 13,200 feet will be traveled in minutes, with a vertical ascent of 5873 feet. The two tramway cars will each hold 80 standing passengers plus an operator and will have sufficient head room so that skis may be brought in vertically. Cars are being manufactured in Berne, Switzerland, by Von Roll and will be assembled in Palm Springs.

The tramway will be in a single stage with the two enclosed cars operating in opposite directions, each suspended from its own double track cables. The four track cables supporting the tramway cars are each 1⅞ inches in diameter, approximately 13,500 feet long and of lock coil construction. The track cables have been manufactured by the American Steel and Wire Company, a division of the U.S. Steel Corporation.

Already completed are a series of five towers which will support the four steel track cables, as well as the four hauling cables, between the Valley and Mountain Stations.

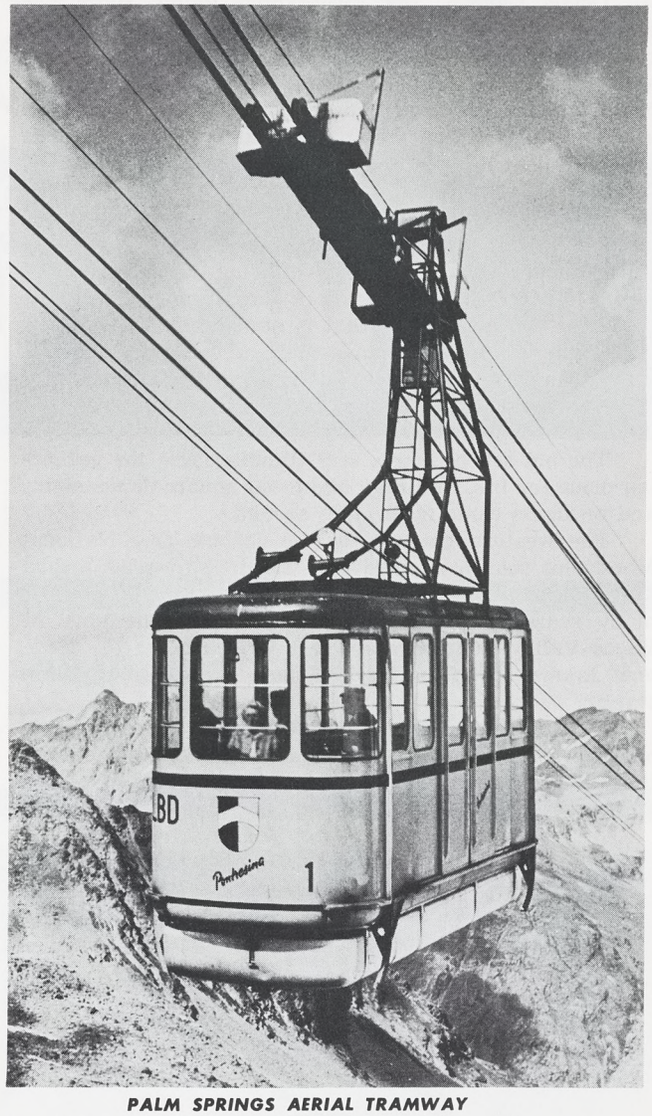
The first tower, 214 feet high, is located 1175 feet from the Valley Station at an elevation of 2820. Tower No. 2, 158 feet high, is 3280 feet beyond at an elevation of 4100 feet. No. 3, 144 feet in height, is 3223 feet further on at an elevation of 5755 feet; No. 4, 57.5 feet high, is located 3455 feet from No. 3 tower at the 7576-foot level. The fifth tower, 63.5 feet high, is 969 feet from the fourth at an altitude of 8102 feet.

The Mountain Station, or upper terminus, at 8516 feet, is 714 feet from the fifth tower. Fabrication of the steel for the towers was done by Consolidated Steel Company, a division of U.S. Steel.

The tramway base station is located within the Palm Springs city limits. A four-mile, double-lane paved highway with two eight-foot stabilized shoulders, now under construction, will branch off California State Highway 111 at a point approximately two miles from the center of the Palm Springs business district and lead directly to three parking areas which will accommodate approximately 1000 cars.

Dual terminals at the Valley and Mountain Stations will have facilities for the loading and unloading of passengers. There will be restaurant, coffee shop, gift shop and lobby facilities at both stations. Concessions for both stations will be operated by Interstate Hosts, Inc., who run the restaurants at Honolulu, San Francisco and Los Angeles International Airports.

The Mountain Station will blend with its environment. The structure is being fitted around existing rock outcroppings and trees to take maximum advantage of the terrain and the magnificent view. A ski shop for the sale and rental of winter sports equipment will be provided, along with an observation terrace with coin-operated telescopes. No overnight accommodations will be available to the public.



PALM SPRINGS AERIAL TRAMWAY

The 80-passenger cars of the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway will closely resemble this Swiss tramway car.

As many as four Bell G-3 super-charged helicopters have been employed at one time in the construction project to airlift crews, water storage tanks, gravel, lumber, reinforcing steel and other construction materials to the Mountain Station site. More than 5000 hours of flying time have been logged airlifting more than 5000 tons of construction material. The figures will exceed 6000 before the choppers' role is finished. Loads average 800-900 pounds and are delivered at the rate of about six per hour.

Each tramway car is capable of transporting up to 400 persons per hour in either direction. Operating hours are scheduled from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day of the year. Adult round-trip fare is to be $4.00 from December through April. Summer rates and children's fares will be less.

I REMEMBER WHEN . . .

By GWEN KEYS

Devils Garden, the Twentynine Palms Highway's entrance leading to the Hi-Desert area, was a veritable plot of rock and sand 30 years ago. Spiny plants, thorns and stickers abounded. Cholla grew thick and tall. One could imagine the devil himself having difficulty moving about in this section where seasonal hot or cold winds blew hell-bent for weather.

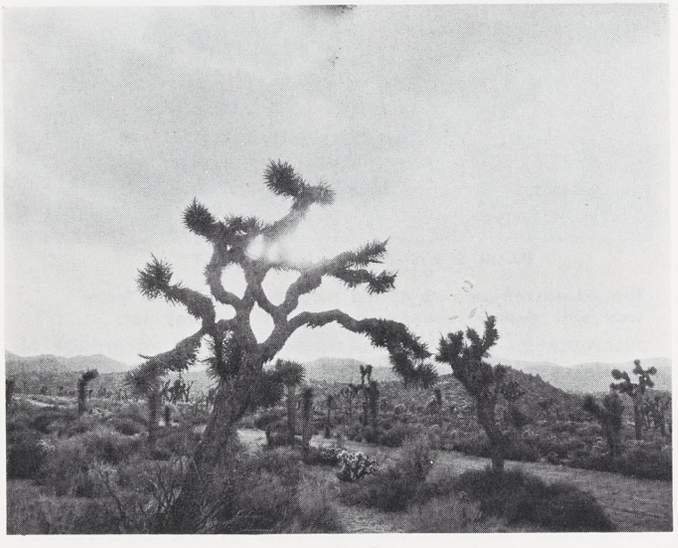
It was with definite relief that one would wind up the Dry Morongo Canyon Road, sometimes washed out by flash floods, and behold Morongo Valley, green with tall juniper and cottonwood offering living proof of water in Morongo. At the top of the Morongo grade one could see the lovely spot that is now Yucca Valley.

There was no golf course then, no country club, only a little country store run by old timers, the Dennis Lillys. They not only sold groceries, but gasoline—and occasionally, ice.

The old school house, still standing, was the gathering place for fun. Saturday night was square-dance night, and residents came from miles around.

The western gateway to the Joshua Tree National Monument soon blossomed into the little town of Joshua Tree. Mailboxes, all in a row, were a landmark here for many years before the town was named. The town of Yucca Valley came several years later, and at the place now known as "The Plaza," there was a lone filling station.

Many changes have come about, but once in awhile one longs for the good old days of hauling water from the well at the old school house and the singing of fiddles at the Saturday night dances.



FIRST SCHOOL BUILDING

MORONGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Morongo Unified School District came into existence as a unified school district in 1958. Since its consolidation it has enjoyed a steady growth of 10% per year.

Yucca Valley, the hub of the growth area, has added a completely new junior high school which currently houses approximately 190 7th, 8th and 9th grade students. Yucca Valley Elementary School is adding two classrooms to accommodate an additional 70 pupils, and plans are now on the drawing board for more classroom space in each building.

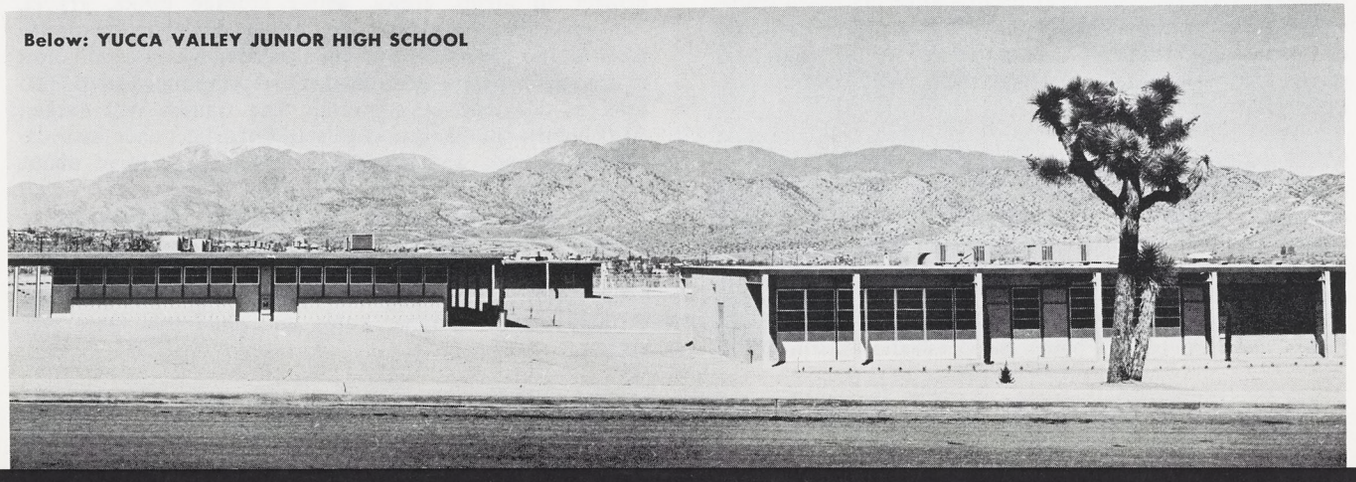
To keep pace with the booming growth of school populations, dedicated board members have spared no effort to secure trained, competent staff members to administer the educational program. Excellence in education has been the major goal of the board of education since the inception of the Morongo Unified District as an entity.

There are five major community areas within Morongo Unified School District — Twentynine Palms, Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley, Morongo Valley and Landers. Of these five communities, four have schools of their own. The fifth, Landers, has no school at this time but is a rapidly growing desert attraction.

The junior high in Yucca Valley is one of the most modern in the State of California and is complete with facilities to provide maximum staff utilization. A swimming pool on the campus built by the park and recreation district is shared by the school district in presenting a diversified physical education program.

The schools have met the challenge of scattered residency on the desert with a transportation system that has for the past three years been judged one of the two best in the state. Youngsters have been picked up and transported to schools from almost every section of the huge school district. In addition the school busses have been made available to many special community groups.

Below: YUCCA VALLEY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL



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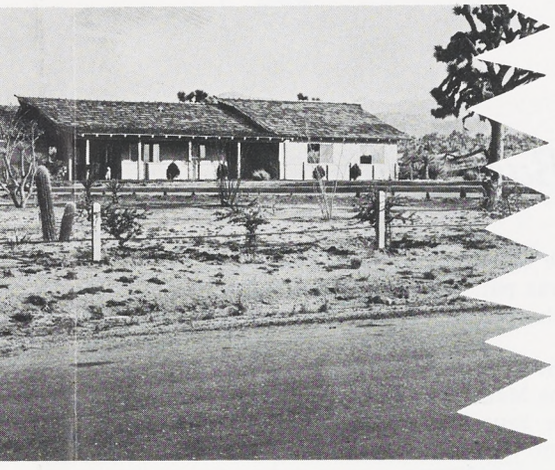

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It is hard to visualize a military installation large enough to encompass two cities the size of Los Angeles or the combined areas of Camp Pendleton, Camp Lejeune and Quantico multiplied by two, but such a place exists here at Twentynine Palms, California. Marine Corps Base, Twentynine Palms, is the Marine Corps' largest, yet the youngest training installation in the world.

Its 932 square miles of rolling, high desert land constitute an ideal location that can't be topped for the artillery and missile units who call this base "Their Home." First the Army, then the Navy and later San Bernardino County controlled the 932 square miles. Now it is the Marine Corps.

This base was first utilized in 1940 by the Army as a glider training field and school under contract to the Twentynine Palms Air Academy. This training program at Twentynine Palms came to an end in March, 1943, but the academy immediately began to train airplane pilots for the Air Corps under a new contract which lasted through early 1944.

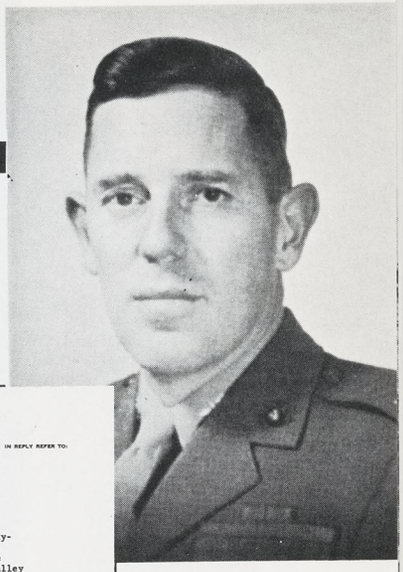
The Navy assumed control of the property in August. During the 13 months that the Navy was in control of the property it was used by the Fleet Air Training Command for rocket training. The Navy continued with the training program until the end of hostilities in August of 1945 when the station was put into a caretaker status and later transferred to the control of San Bernardino County.

The county retained the land until the Marine Corps took over in 1953. When the Marine Corps sent its scouts to Twentynine Palms, the reports were all favorable. There was plenty of room out in the desert for the establishment of long range firing ranges.

This was a matter of great interest to the Marine Corps, for artillery expansion within the Corps had reached a serious impasse because of training area limitations. Postwar artillery research and the development of guided missiles and free-flight rockets progressed rapidly. Introduction of additional supporting artillery units, heavier caliber, self-propelled pieces and guided missile battalions into the Marine Corps' troop list rendered the limited ranges at Camp Pendleton and Camp Lejeune entirely inadequate.

As a consequence, the Marine Corps obtained control of this desert training facility, and advance elements arrived from Camp Pendleton in August, 1953. The Marine Corps Base Training Center, Twentynine Palms, California, was officially established.

Brigadier General
J. L. STEWART
United States Marine Corps



COL. WILSON F. HUMPHREYS
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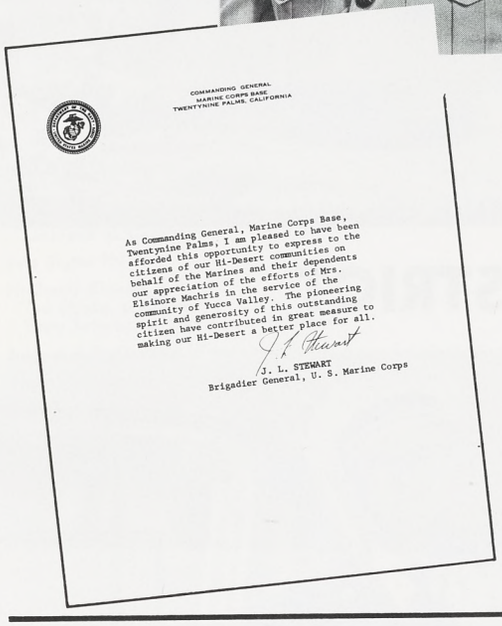
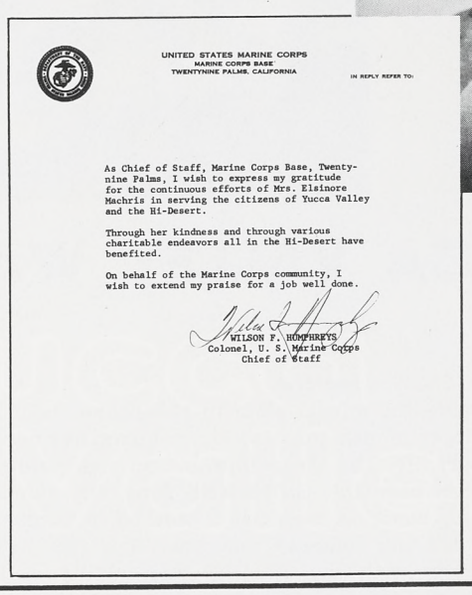


COMMANDING GENERAL
MARINE CORPS BASE
TWENTYNINE PALMS, CALIFORNIA

As Commanding General, Marine Corps Base, Twentynine Palms, I am pleased to have been afforded this opportunity to express to the citizens of our Hi-Desert communities on behalf of the Marines and their dependents our appreciation of the efforts of Mrs. Elsinore Machris in the service of the community of Yucca Valley. The pioneering spirit and generosity of this outstanding citizen have contributed in great measure to making our Hi-Desert a better place for all.

J. L. STEWART
Brigadier General, U. S. Marine Corps



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IN REPLY REFER TO:

As Chief of Staff, Marine Corps Base, Twenty-nine Palms, I wish to express my gratitude for the continuous efforts of Mrs. Elsinore Machris in serving the citizens of Yucca Valley and the Hi-Desert.

Through her kindness and through various charitable endeavors all in the Hi-Desert have benefited.

On behalf of the Marine Corps community, I wish to extend my praise for a job well done.

WILSON F. HUMPHREYS
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By HAROLD K. BROWN, President

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I have heard the expression made, "We are lucky to have an abundance of good water." To this I take exception, because we wouldn't have the growth nor promise we now hold were this not so in the beginning. In order to take full advantage of this legacy, we must conserve, develop and plan the utilization of this most essential commodity.

In order to grow materially and economically, we must be able to service new areas with the "liquid of life." What better way than to control this growth within our own community rather than plead and appeal to a state board which cannot see our promise?

To do this to the best interests of the community, it has been shown that a water district is the best operational body for the job. The fact that every large and successful water system is controlled by a district is not a reason for using this method, but rather that in every case the advantages of a district have eventually been realized.

A district can negotiate for additional water supply with other state agencies or for more monies to purchase and consolidate companies within our boundaries. It is a service established to protect your best interests, waterwise, producing an adequate supply under the safest and most economic conditions.

The WATER DISTRICT is yours; the board is your elected tool. Meetings are open for your ideas so that you may achieve and continue to have the best water system for your present and future requirements.

Thanks for attending Grubstake Days. Do come again.

YUCCA VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

By HARRY BRISSENDEN, Fire Chief

Our new "Rescue Unit," Chevrolet one-ton panel with four-speed transmission, positraction rear-end, air conditioned and all adjustable guerney will be in service in a short time. This unit will be used for rescue calls, transferring injured persons to our new hospital or in responding to any disaster when called by the highway patrol or sheriff's office.

A long range program has plans for adding three more long range radios for local and mutual aid agreement for any major disaster. We are hoping to purchase a military tanker for civil defense and brush fires in high areas and a ten-kilowatt generator for emergency purposes in case of power failure.

It is to be hoped that two more men may be added to the force in the near future, and if the population continues to increase as in the past five years, another fire station. This long range program is to help give you better fire protection, that your fire insurance rates may be lowered.

YUCCA VALLEY CIVIC GROUPS

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Fire District

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Women's Club

Park & Recreation District

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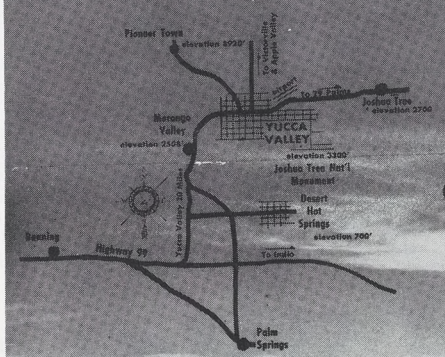

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BENEFACTOR

With the association—and separately, too—Mr. Storey, early in the history of Yucca Valley, dedicated 15 acres of land for schools in order to establish a school district. Many churches, parks and community projects also benefited by grants of land for betterment of the town. Ever watchful of progress, he was instrumental in bringing in utilities, businesses and other developers and home builders. He also built the first drug store in the place where Rexall Drugs now stands.

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After the incorporating of Hi-Desert Memorial Hospital, as the board of directors searched for the proper site, Mr. Storey once more came through, selling the corporation 20 of the most beautiful acres of his property for about one fifth their market value. On this scenic acreage at the foothills of southeastern Yucca Valley will stand the new and approved Hi-Desert Memorial Hospital some time this fall.

Mr. Storey says, "I feel very happy with the wonderful growth and the fine community spirited citizens. Their sincerity and love for Yucca Valley as a whole is the real success story of this most desirable year round desert living town."

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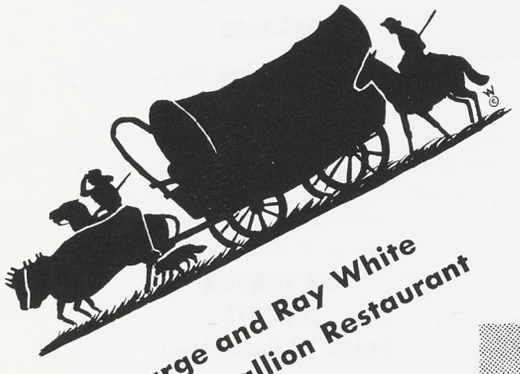

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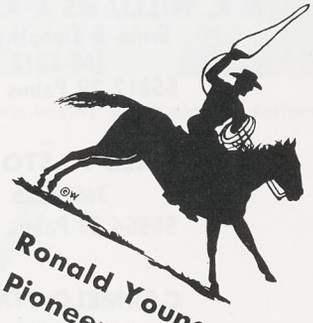

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BY FRANCES REICH

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Our club came into being two years ago in November. Eight or ten women met in the home of Jennie Kelly to see what could be done to form a woman's club. In December, 1960, a meeting was held in the home of Frances Reich; 18 women were present. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: president, Jenny Kelly; vice president, Frances Reich; secretary-treasurer, Eva Asmus; parliamentarian, Edna Jinkins; chaplain, Ruby Woodal; and publicity, Ann Leptien. After serving for six months, Jenny resigned and Frances Reich finished her term and was re-elected for the following year.

The members have been very faithful in helping with all the civic work that has been done. Rummage sales, bake sales and breakfasts have resulted in donations to children's hospitals, Yucca Mesa Improvement Association's building fund, name signs on both Yucca Mesa Road and Vine Street, to name but a few. Our club is a very close knit one and one we think we can be proud of, for we are all in harmony and eager to be of help to our "Lil' Old Mesa" where we all work hand in hand with the YMIA to raise funds for our own club house. Ground has been acquired already.

The officers for 1963 are president, Joy Riggs; vice presidents, Edna Skeith and Elizabeth Hoop; secretary-treasurer, Louise McCoy; parliamentarian, Frances Reich; chaplain, Nel Rodewald.

Each year the members invite their husbands for a special meeting. Dinner is served to them, and they are allowed to sit in on the regular meeting. We may be small in number, but we are mighty and very determined to do or die.

We invite any woman living in the area to come to our meetings, see how we conduct them and perhaps you will like us well enough to join us. Our regular meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the homes of the members (that is until our club house is built).

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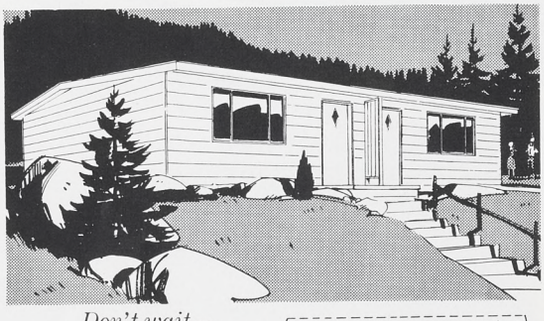

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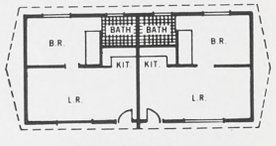

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WORLD PEACE SHRINE

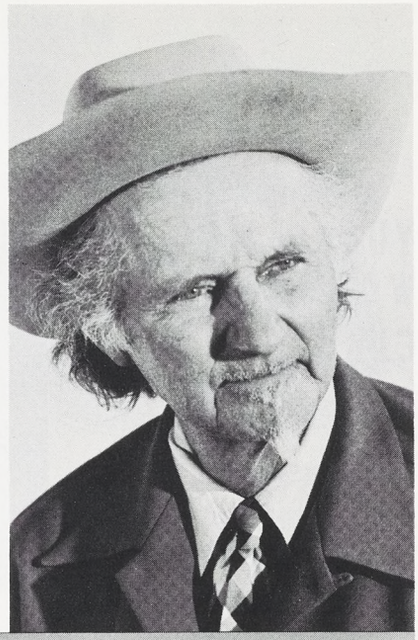
By HOWARD D. CLARK

From London, Burma, Canada, New Zealand, Costa Rica, from New York to Hawaii come the wayfarers to Hi-Desert Shrine Park. The peace-hungry world of ever-hopeful peoples, one might say the great and the small but few are great and none are small, are drawn to the scene of a prayer for peace executed on heroic scale. Their appreciation of the realism and permanence of the message enshrined in some 40 pieces of gleaming statuary is heart-warming. Gratefully they sign the guest book and leave an offering of approval.

The purpose of the late Antone Martin, sculptor-artist of Hi-Desert Shrine Park, was to re-create in enduring form the Master's teachings of compassion in protest against the continuing age-old hates, greeds and dishonor in man's inhumanity to man.

The shrine came about through this irresistible compulsion on the part of Mr. Martin. In steel-reinforced concrete his work will stand, to proclaim in tableau his theme: "The Brotherhood of Man." World-wide benediction long since has justified faith in the response on the part of most of mankind and reaffirms that inevitably a man's work is his own monument.

Hi-Desert Shrine Park, now under the authority of the park and recreation district, will be improved and maintained as a public facility, open and free to all in keeping with the purpose of the sculptor. Service features necessary for the convenience of great numbers of visitors will be constructed as time and funds permit to complete its uses.



The late ANTONE MARTIN Creator of Shrine Park Statues

Above: Statues of the Disciples

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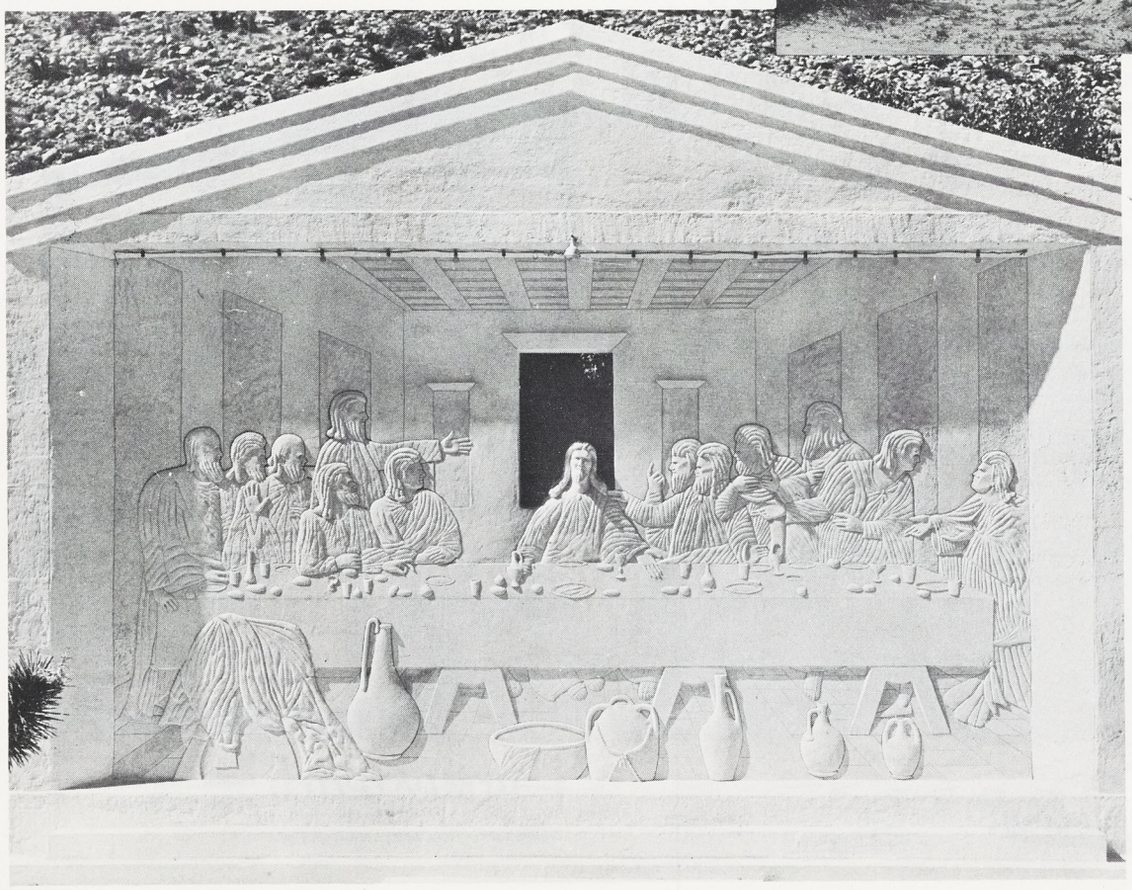

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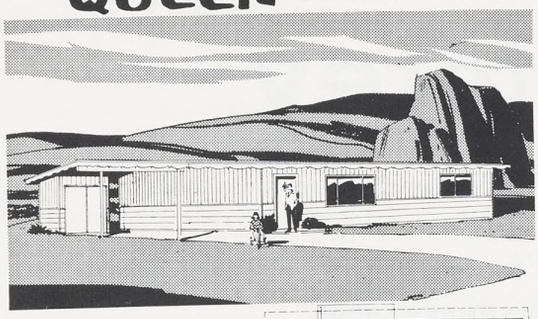

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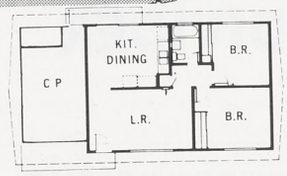

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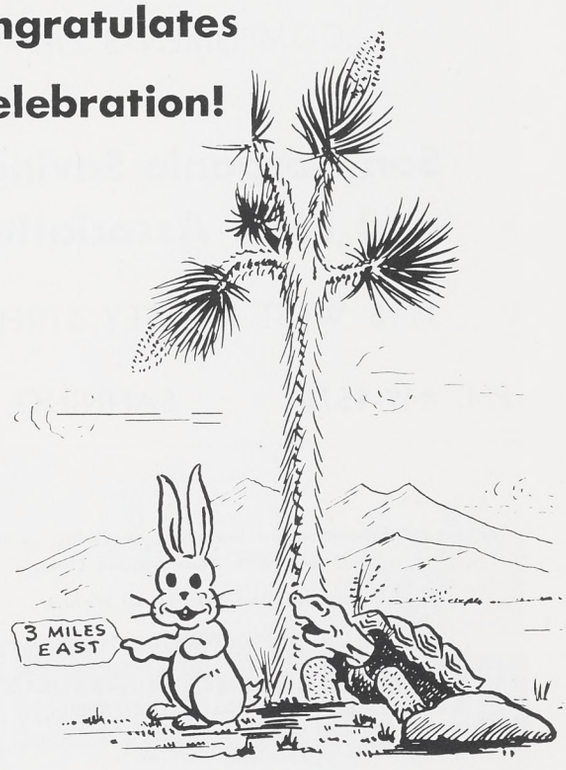

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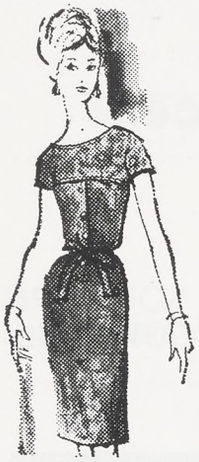

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HITTING THE HI-SPOTS

(An informal chat with donors.)

GREETINGS, ALL:

We hope you like our Grubstake Days booklet. We hope you like it enough to buy a trillion copies! For every cent above barest expenses will go toward the fulfillment of five years hard work, the thrill of seeing our own hospital at the foot of Yucca Valley's purple hills!

So many persons have had a hand in this project, the present board feels apologetic that so few may be mentioned. Space does not allow. Confined to episodes, these, too, are so numerous that only a scant few HI-SPOTS can be hit.

First came the idea, induced by a pseudo-ambulance in the 1958 Grubstake Days Parade (making this a sort of anniversary). The idea created much enthusiasm and equal amounts of "cold-water" treatment. "Our own hospital? PREPOSTEROUS!" yelled the cwt's. But enthusiasm won, with all sorts of fund raising—some hair raising as well!

Operation "Hospital House," a major fund-raiser, netted the first real nest-egg of funds in December, 1959. But for some time after this the work was sporadic, and donations barely trickled into the till.

NEW LIFE

In the summer of '60, stirring organizational programs with incorporation placed John Haskell in the president's seat with a hardworking, determined 15-man board of directors. And Hi-Desert Memorial Hospital, Incorporated, came into a vigorous existence. The new corporation purchased from Fred Story, Yucca Valley developer, a choice scenic 20-acre parcel of land at about one fifth its market value. A Los Angeles hospital planning company was retained to check the needs of planning and building. This visual evidence of progress and the accelerated program of President Haskell sparked new life into fund raising plans. There was a rash of parties, benefits, contests and ticket selling. Everyone wanted to get into the act. And did!

Early in '62, HDMH, INC., was instrumental in appointment of a district board. Elected to office in November, this five-man board is now hard at work advancing the project.

Through the efforts of President Haskell another 40 acres were added by Collins Rowe Buchner who granted the land for the site of a nurses and convalescent home.

The greatest contributor to the hospital fund is Elsinore Machris who has donated more than $60,000.00. Yucca Valley and the entire Hi-Desert are greatly indebted to her for her untiring efforts and generosity.

HIGH HOPES

Relieved by the district board of hospital planning, yet HDMH, INC., will go on functioning as a fund raising auxiliary. President Haskell is at this time working on a three-point program, immense in scope. One important phase is Elsinore Machris' idea of HATS, "Hands Across the Sea," plans for which were arranged last year when Mrs. Machris and Mr. Haskell toured the Orient outlining a world charity show by international artists, abroad and in the United States.

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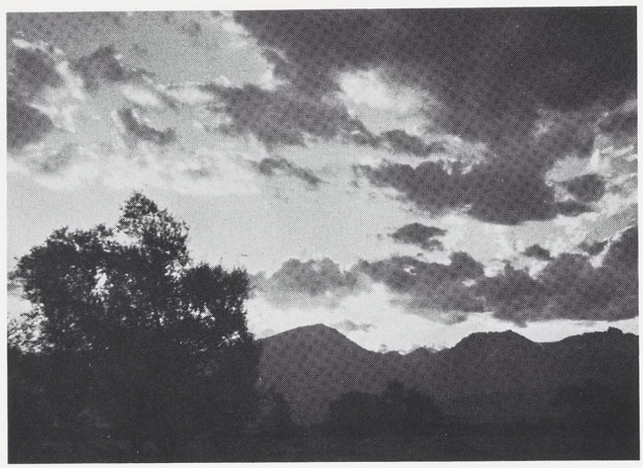

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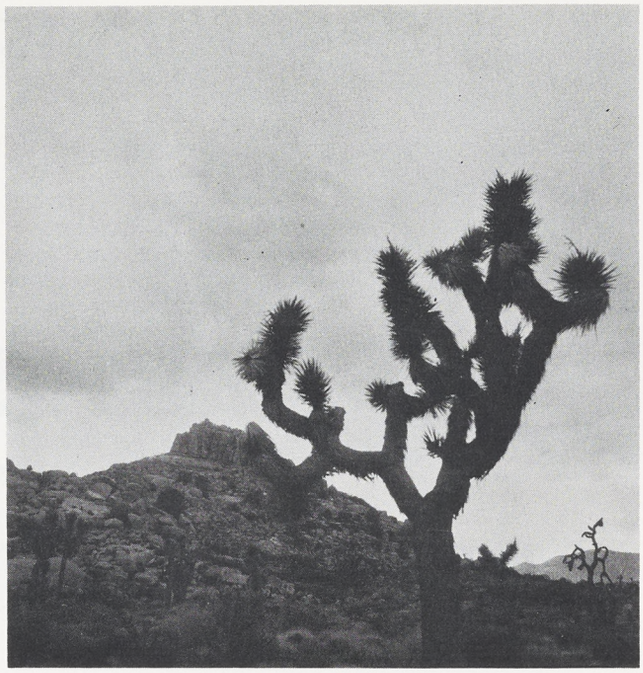

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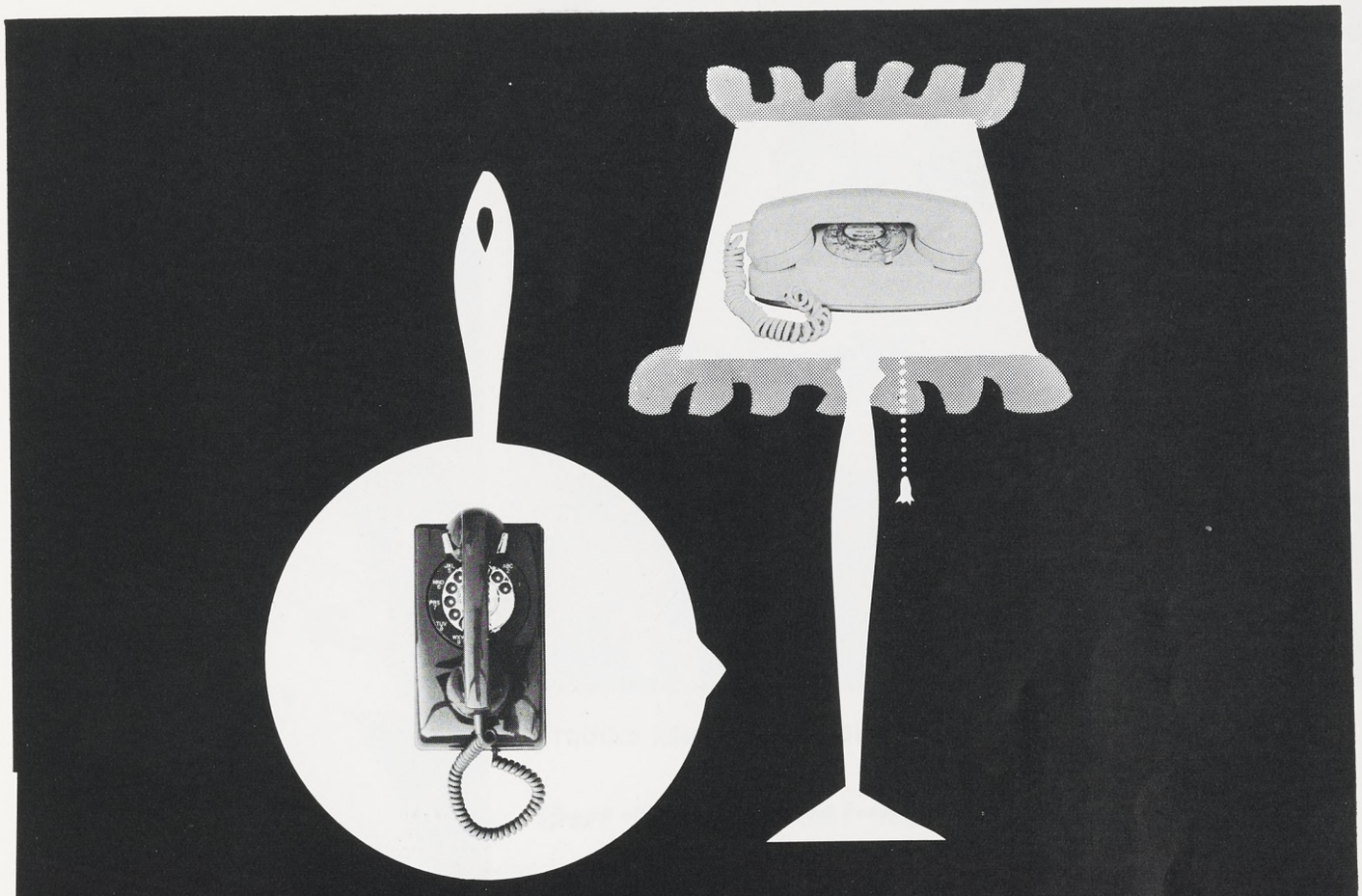

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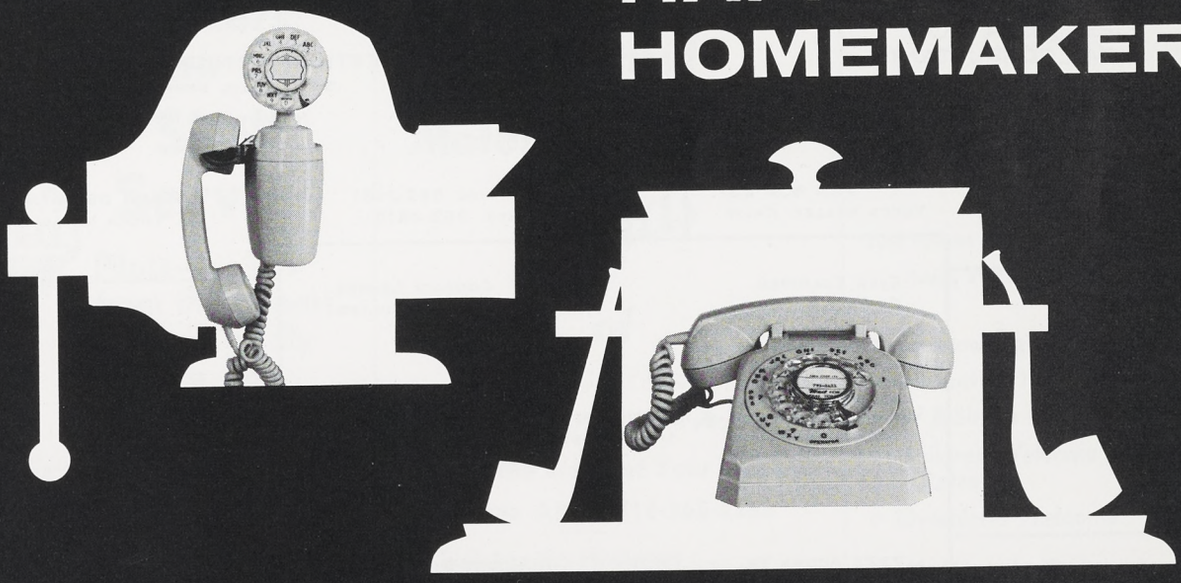

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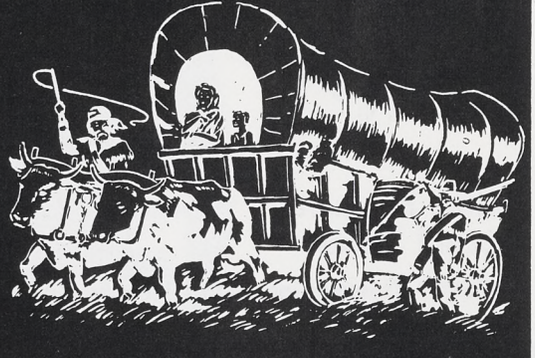

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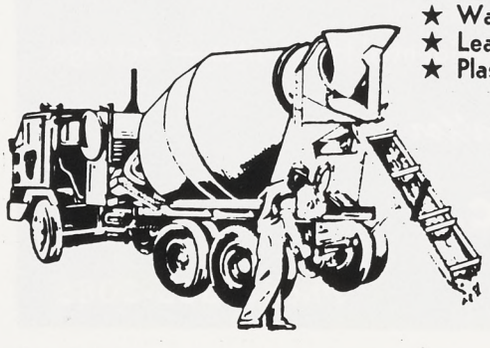

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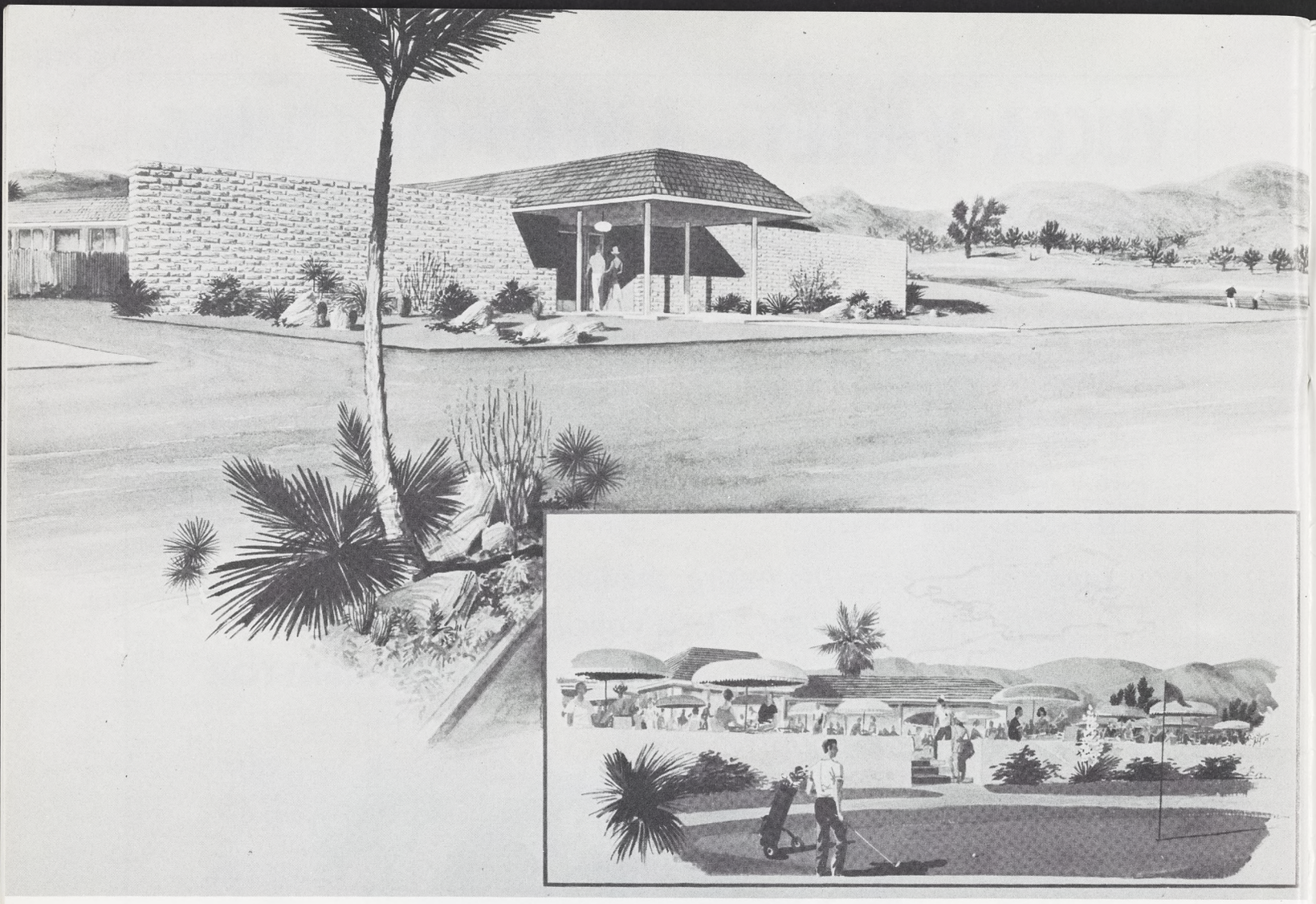

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Golf Club

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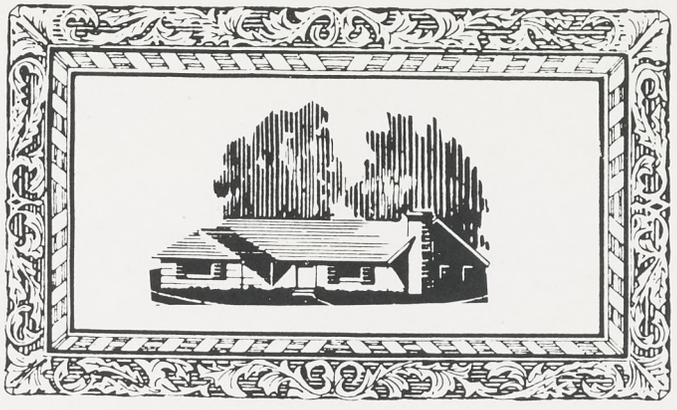
A beautiful oasis, lying cool and green at the foot of hills which shelter from north winds in winter but open to the west admitting cool breezes from Mt. San Gorgonio in summer, is the lovely locale of Yucca Valley Golf Club. Established in 1956 as a nine-hole course, the Hi-Desert Golf and Country Club provided Yucca Valley with a much needed recreational spot.

It was sold in 1961 and the name changed to its present title. The complete 18-hole course opened in September, 1962, with Roger Lenhardt as general manager. It is operated as a private membership club, its members belonging to the Southern California Golf Association.

EXPANSION

Under Mr. Lenhardt's management many plans for improvement and beautification have been made. A spacious clubhouse is slated for opening June 15, this year. It will include a dining room, cocktail lounge, golf shop, men's and ladies' locker rooms, card room and lounge and a huge outdoor terrace overlooking the first tee.

It is the aim of the management to provide top facilities in an atmosphere of gracious luxury, yet within a nominal cost-range to members. Yucca Valley Golf Club has the potential to become the leader in the valley's social life.



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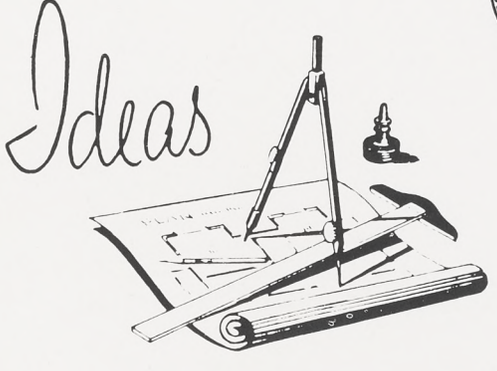

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